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Subject matter: Amendments to Patent Application #09/927,035

Dear Mr. Hunter:

Please find enclosed our clients' responses to your Office Action Summary submitted as "*redlined*" [with changes annotated] document. Our firm made these modifications in accordance with your WebSite instructions for filing amendments. The data located at the WebSite was dated June 30, 2003.

Please be advised that our firm did not receive the request by your office until August 13, 2003. This required a substantial burden upon us and our client to make these changes as expeditiously as possible. It appears your offices approved our client's Power Of Attorney earlier this year according to a letter received from Mr. Sean Hill in that department. However, in mid-July-2003 your office then claimed to have rejected the same Power Of Attorney it approved and simultaneously sent your letter regarding Amendment Formatting to our client directly. Once again, Mr. Redwine was out of town and thus, no one was knowledgeable that the document sent by you was pending a (30) thirty day reply, until Mr. Redwine's return on August 12, 2003.

As you may recall, this was our previous conflict with the USPTO, which actually caused our client's reply in April-2002 to move into abandonment. Further, our notice of denial of the once approved Power of Attorney document was not received until August 11, 2003. This is complicated by the improper name being used for mailing purposes. Please assist us in correcting the method by which the USPTO inserts addressees for mailing.

Please do not use Philips, Davis & Hoffmann. We have another firm within the building that shares a similar name as such. Please address mail to Anderson, Philips, Davis & Hoffmann, LLP. Mr. R. A. Anderson, Managing Partner or Laird Robertson, Esquire. This should prevent the delay in mail processing which our client has suffered greatly because of. It is our belief that all is in order. We await publication in order to finalize and perfect our client's patent. As always, if we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Kindly,


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Enclosure(s)

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